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polyesteramides, polyorthoesters, polydioxanones, polyacetals, polyketals, polycarbonates, polyorthocarbonates, polyphosphazenes, polyhydroxybutyrates, polyhydroxyvalerates, polyalkylene oxalates, polyethylene oxides, polyacrylates/methacrylates, polyalkylene succinates, poly(malic acid) polymers, polymaleic anhydrides, poly(methylvinyl)ethers, poly(amino acids), chitin, chitosan, and copolymers, terpolymers, or combinations or mixtures thereof.

- 23. The method of claim 1 wherein the first and second 10 thermoplastic polymeric matrices comprise a bioactive filler, wherein the bioactive filler comprises bioglass, calcium phosphate, Portland cement, hydroxyapatite, tricalcium phosphate, a di- or polyphosphonic acid, an anti-estrogen, a sodium fluoride preparation, a substance having a phosphate 15 to calcium ratio similar to natural bone, or mixtures thereof.
- 24. The method of claim 1 wherein the first and second thermoplastic polymeric matrices comprise a bioactive filler, wherein the bioactive filler comprises bone chips, bone crystals, mineral fractions of bone or teeth, or mixtures thereof.
- **25**. The method of claim **1** wherein the first and second thermoplastic polymeric matrices comprise a bioactive filler, wherein the bioactive filler comprises particulate or fibrous filler in nanosize, microsize, macrosize form, or mixtures ²⁵ thereof.
- **26**. The method of claim **1** wherein the filling material further comprises up to about 40 percent by weight of a plasticizer.
- 27. The method of claim 26 wherein root canal wherein the plasticizer comprises polyol, polyolefin or a mixture thereof.
- 28. The method of claim 1 wherein filling material further comprises an adhesive.
- **29**. The method of claim **28** wherein the adhesive comprises acrylate, methacrylate, or a mixture thereof.

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- 30. The method of claim 1 wherein filling material further comprises a polymeric resin, filler, pigment, dye, antibiotic, cariostatic, antibacterial, anti-inflammatory, biologically active or therapeutic material.
- 31. The method of claim 1 further comprising softening the filling material and injecting the filling material through a needle into the canal.
- 32. The method of claim 1 wherein the sealant comprises an acrylate, methacrylate, epoxy resin or mixtures thereof.
- 33. The method of claim 2 wherein the etchant is selected from the group comprising an organic acid and an inorganic acid.
- **34**. The method of claim **33** wherein the organic acid comprises amino acid, acrylic acid, maleic acid, citric acid, ethylene diamine tetra acetic acid (EDTA), tartaric acid, itaconic acid, 5-sulfosalicylic acid, propionic, lactic acid, or derivatives or mixtures thereof.
- **35**. The method of claim **33** wherein the inorganic acid comprises phosphoric acid, nitric acid, hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, or derivatives or mixtures thereof.
- **36**. The method of claim **5** wherein the bonding agent comprises an acrylate or methacrylate resin.
- **37**. The method of claim **1**, wherein the thermoplastic polymer matrix material is biodegradable.
- **38**. The method of claim **1**, wherein the thermoplastic polymer matrix material is a polylactide, a polyglycolide, and copolymers thereof.
- **39**. The method of claim **1**, wherein the thermoplastic polymer matrix material has a melting temperature of about 70 to about 200° C.
- **40**. The method of claim **1**, wherein the first thermoplastic polymer matrix has a melt flow index of about 0.1 to about 4.0 grams per minute at 80° C. and/or 44 psi and the second thermoplastic polymer matrix has a melt flow index of about 4.5 to about 20.0 grams per minute at 80° C. and/or 44 psi.

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